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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

MICHAEL V. CHOBOTOV et al.

Application No.: 10/029,559

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For: RADIALLY EXPANDABLE STENT
(As Amended)

Examiner: P. Prebilic

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings being on page 15 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

The Remarks section begins on page 16 of this paper.